Northern Sustainable Development Forum
September 27-30, 2020, Yakutsk, Republic of Sakha (Yakutia), Russia

From 27 to 30 September, the 2nd Northern Sustainable Development Forum was held. The event had brought to Yakutsk more than 100 guests and many more participated via videoconferencing tools. Dozens of international participants from circumpolar countries such as Iceland, Canada, Finland, and Norway were registered at the events and enjoy workshops, discussions, and virtual exhibitions.

This volume comprised of the selected reviewed papers dedicated to the social, cultural, and economic wellbeing of the inhabitants of the North. Keynote papers come from renowned ethnographers, policymakers and dedicated to the culture and modern lifestyle of indigenous people of Northern Russia.

Organizing Institutions

- Northern Forum (https://www.northernforum.org/en/)
- Government of Yakutia (https://www.sakha.gov.ru/)
- North-Eastern Federal University (https://www.s-vfu.ru/en/)

In cooperation with local institutions

- Academy of Sciences of Yakutia
- Yakutsk Scientific Centre of Siberian Branch of Russian Academy of Science
- Arctic State Institute of Culture and Arts
- Association of Russian Social Geographers (Yakutsk Regional Branch)
- Yakutsk State Agricultural Academy
- Arctic College of Northern Peoples
- Philharmonic of Yakutia

In cooperation with Russian institutions

- Arctic Development Project Office
- Russian International Affairs Council
- Saint-Petersburg State University
- Surgut State Pedagogical University
- Siberian Federal University

In international cooperation with

- International Arctic Scientific Committee
- University of the Arctic
- Association of Reindeer Herders of the World
- International Freezing Association Education Committee
- Association of Mayors of World Winter Cities
- Oceanological University of China
- Korea Maritime Institute
- Hokkaido University
- Hokkaido Think Tank Association
- Northern University of Norway
- University of Alaska Fairbanks
- Linking Tourism & Conservation
About the forum

Goal
Organizing a comprehensive discussion of the challenges and prospects of implementing the principles and goals of sustainable development in the regions of the Arctic and the North.

Objectives
- discussing the opportunities and prospects of the interaction of the Arctic and northern regions in solving the problems of sustainable development;
- discussing the role, functions, and tasks of the regional authorities, academia and education, business and public organizations in supporting the sustainable development of the Arctic and northern regions;
- assisting with specifying the priority areas for the socio-economic development of the Arctic and northern regions;
- analyzing the ways for improving the living standards of the northern residents, including the indigenous peoples of the Arctic.

Official Languages
The official working languages are Russian and English. Simultaneous Russian-English and English-Russian interpretation will be provided at the Forum’s plenary, business sessions, and for keynotes reports.

Expected Outcomes
- adopting a general resolution on the Forum’s main theme;
- signing the cooperation agreements;
- reviewing the projects proposed for the implementation within the Northern Forum;
- publishing the materials of some research and practical events of the Forum in the indexed journal;
- posting the Forum’s materials (papers, presentations, recommendations, final reports) on the Forum’s official website www.nsdf.ru;
- establishing international interregional cooperation and exchange of information, best practices, and experiences in the sustainable development of the Arctic and the North, including the Northern Forum participants.

Expected Participants
- employees and representatives of public authorities in local and federal levels;
- employees and representatives of international organizations;
- employees and representatives of non-commercial and public organizations;
- representatives of diplomatic missions and trade representatives of foreign countries;
- academics and educators;
- professionals, employees of national and international companies.
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